



Strokes against Stroke Strokes for Strides

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Theory

Modelling of Trajectory Perception
and Human Movement Generation

Applications

Automatic Processing of Handwriting

PROJECTS

BIOMETRY

Automatic
Signature
Verification

RECOGNITION

On-line
Handwriting
Processing

EDUCATION

Handwriting
Learning
Tools

BIOMEDICAL

Neuromuscular
Condition
Evaluation

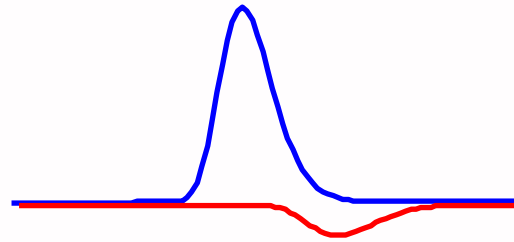
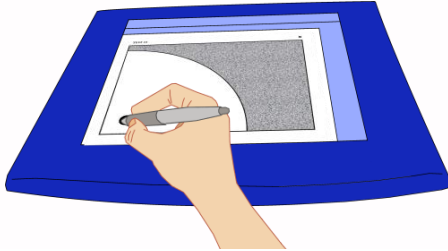
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Model-based
Preprocessing

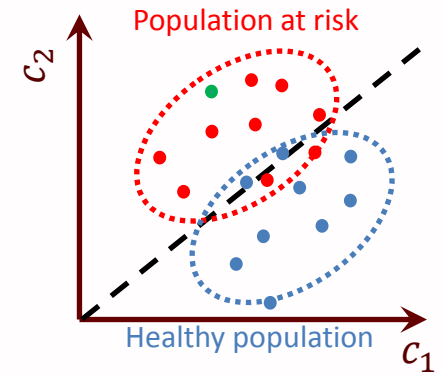
PART ONE

STROKE AGAINST STROKES

CAN WE USE THE
INFORMATION HIDDEN IN
HANDWRITING STROKES TO
PREVENT BRAIN STROKES?



t_0	D_1	μ_1	σ_1	D_2	μ_2	σ_2
0.18	150	-1.85	0.37	14.5	-1.42	0.13



→ Patient highly at risk. Refer to a neurologist.



MANY YEARS OF COLLABORATIVE WORK

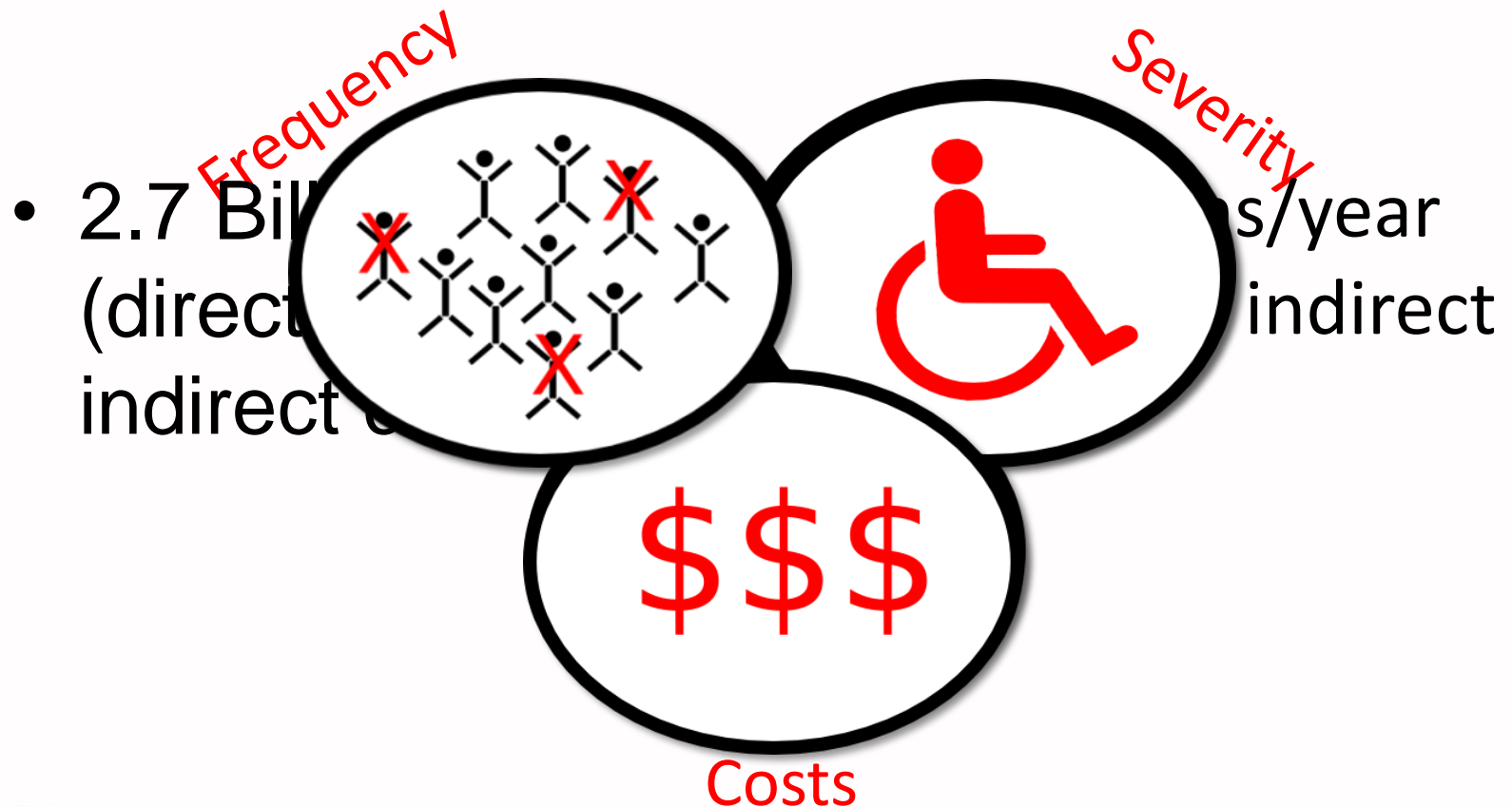
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- Prof. Pierre A, Mathieu, Biomedical Engineering.
- Dr. Louise-Hélène Lebrun, Neurologist.
- Danielle Shashoua, Physiotherapist.
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- **Christian O'Reilly, Ph.D.**
- Anna Woch, Ph.D.
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(Fondation des maladies du cœur, 2009; Lloyd-Jones et al., 2009; Kelly-Hayes et al., 2003)

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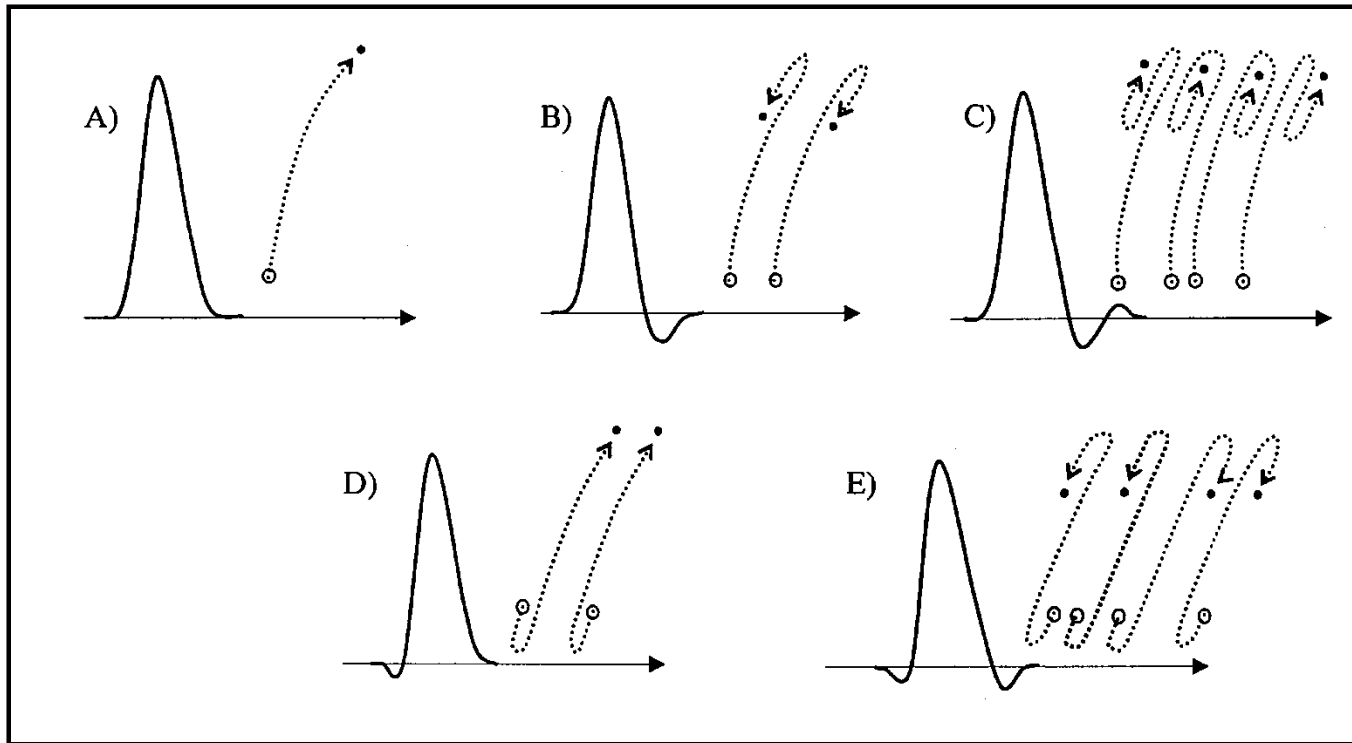
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What is a Handwriting Stroke?

A fundamental unit of human movement

Our Fundamental Particle

Typical Velocity Profiles and Trajectories



WOCH, A., PLAMONDON, R., "Using the Framework of the Kinematic Theory for the Definition of a Movement Primitive", *Motor Control*, vol 8, pp.547-557, 2004.

Basic Characteristics of a Single Stroke

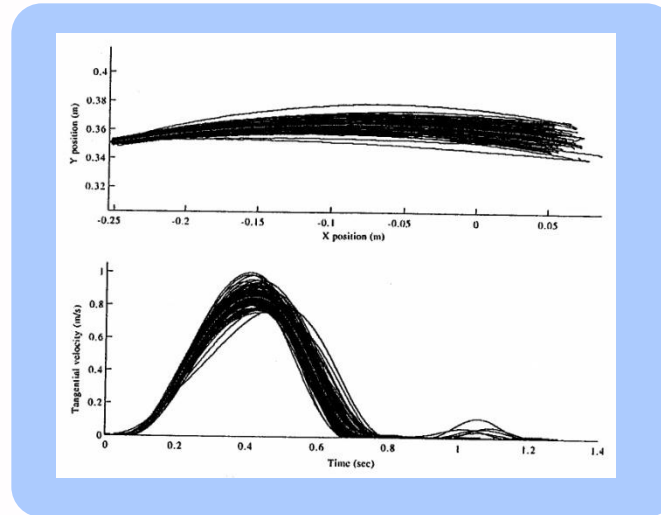


Figure : Typical trajectories and velocity profiles

- No visual feedback
- Speed accuracy trade-offs
- Almost rectilinear trajectory of the end effector
- Asymmetric bell-shaped velocity profile
- Up to two secondary velocity peaks
- Possible direction inversion at the beginning and/or at the end

Miyamoto H., Wolpert D.M., Kawato M., (2002) in: Biologically Inspired Robot Behavior Engineering, Springer-Verlag.

Model Classification

- Criterion: Motor Control Basic Hypothesis
 - ❖ Equilibrium Point (Feldman ,Bizzi, Hollerbach...)
 - ❖ Neural Networks (Bullock, Schomaker, Gangadhar...)
 - ❖ Optimization Principles (Flash, Kawato, Alimi...)
 - ❖ Non-linear Dynamics (Kelso, Athenes, Zazone...)
 - ❖ Proportionality and Convergence (Plamondon)

Basic Hypothesis

The invariant properties of some characteristics of rapid human movements reflect the asymptotic behavior of complex systems, made up of a large number of coupled neuromuscular networks.



**EMERGENCE FROM
ASYMPTOTIC CONVERGENCE**

Basic Tool

The **Central Limit Theorem** can be used to point out emergent phenomena in these complex systems.

Agonist – Antagonist Synergy

Agonist component working in the direction of the movement

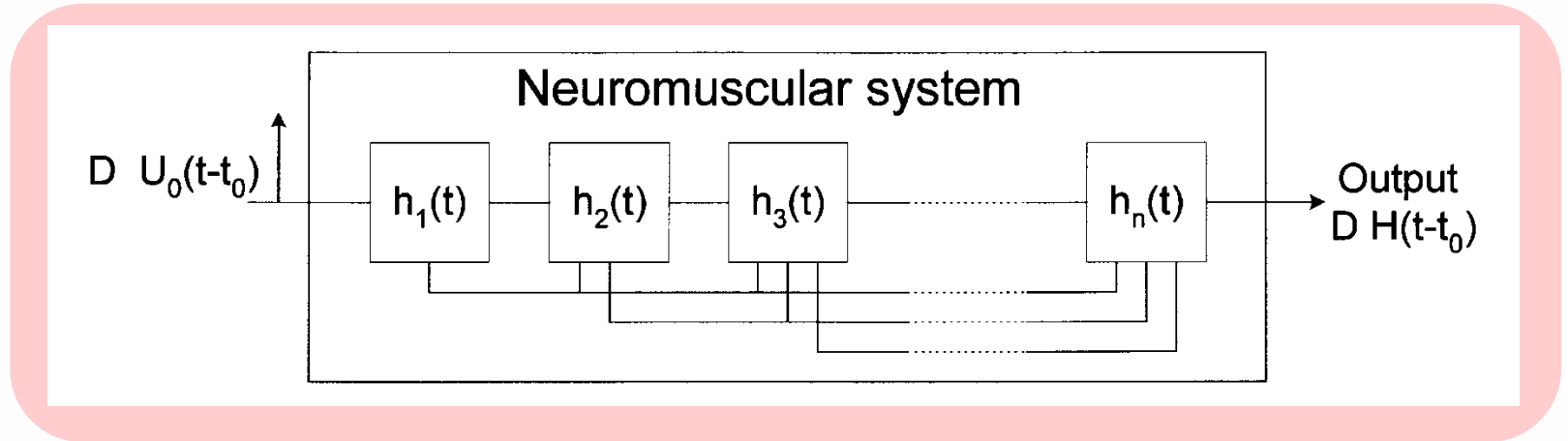
Origin

Movement

Target

Antagonist component working in the opposite direction

- Mathematical proof based on the **Central Limit Theorem**
- Convergence of the NMS impulse response towards a lognormal profile



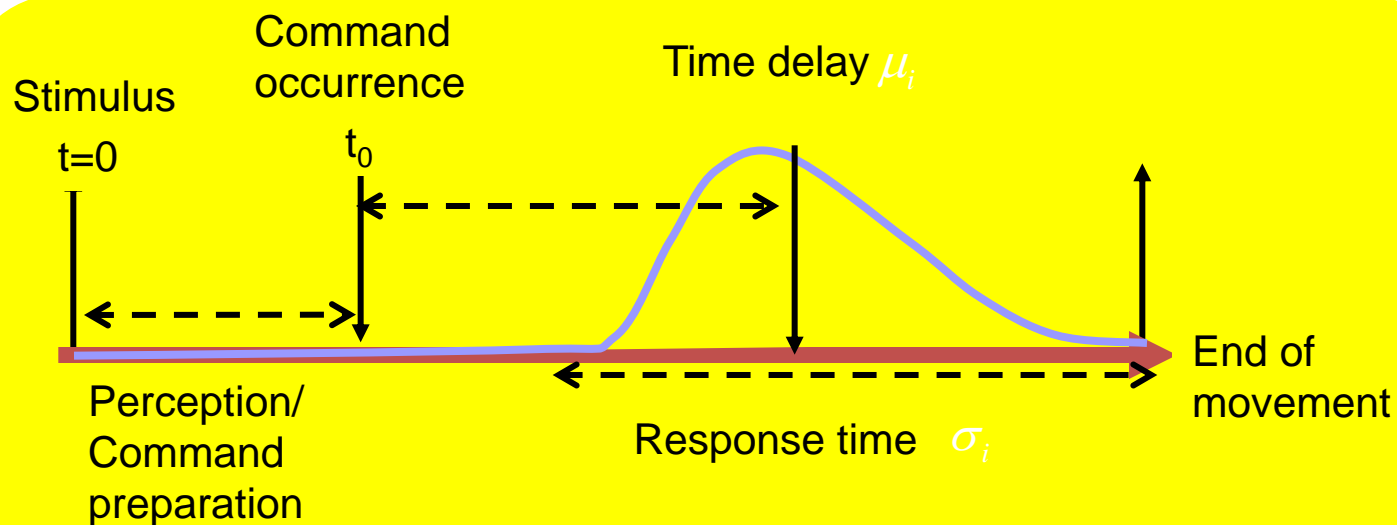
- Hypothesis

$$T_n = (1 + \varepsilon_n) T_{n-1}$$

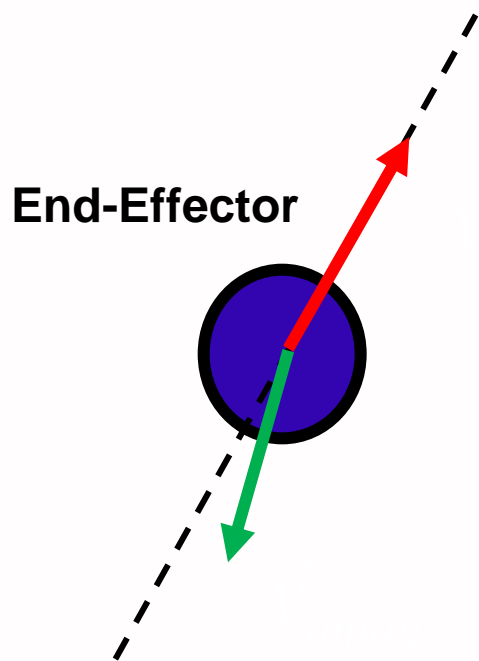
$$n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$H(t-t_0) \Rightarrow \Lambda(t; t_0, \mu, \sigma^2)$$

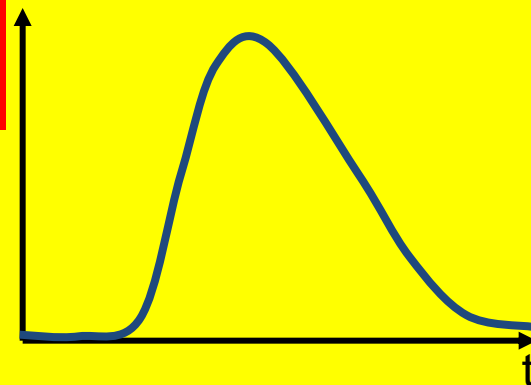
• **Temporal analysis of a movement component (agonist or antagonist)**



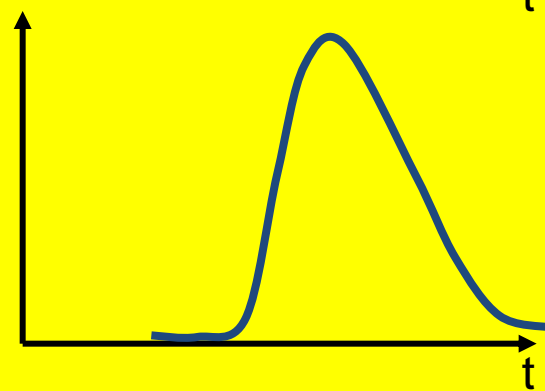
Vectorial summation



$$\left| \vec{v}_{ag}(t) \right|$$



$$\left| \vec{v}_{antag}(t) \right|$$



Velocity profile of a single stroke: **Sigma-Lognormal Model**

$$\vec{v}(t) = \vec{v}_{ag}(t) + \vec{v}_{antag}(t)$$

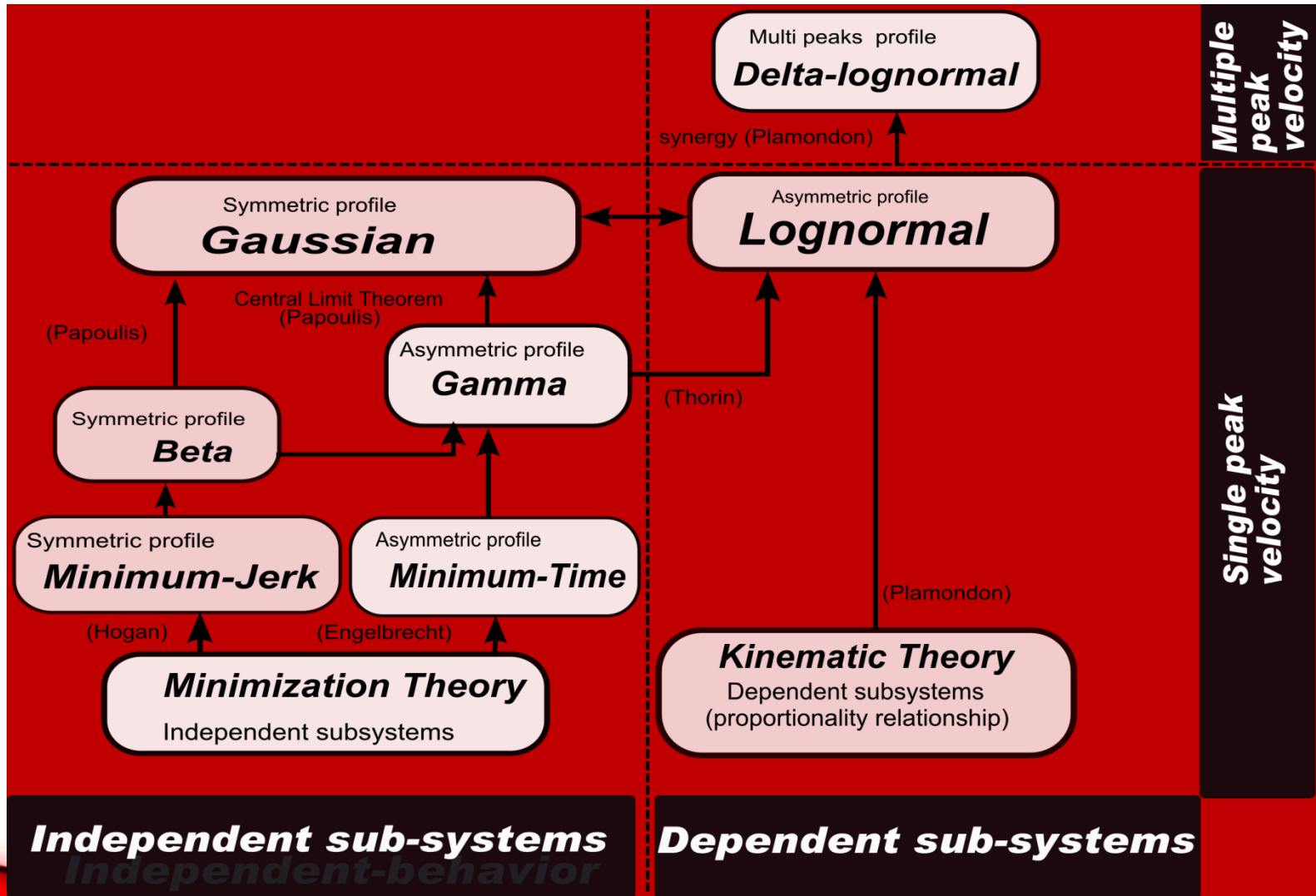
Special case: perfect opposition of the agonist and the antagonist components

$$v(t) = v_{ag}(t) - v_{antag}(t)$$



Delta-Lognormal Model

MODEL COMPARISON



A BRIEF PAUSE

**A STROKE IS THE IDEAL OUTPUT
OF A NEUROMUSCULAR SYSTEM
THE RESULT
OF AN EMERGING BEHAVIOR
PREDICTED
BY THE CENTRAL LIMIT THEOREM**

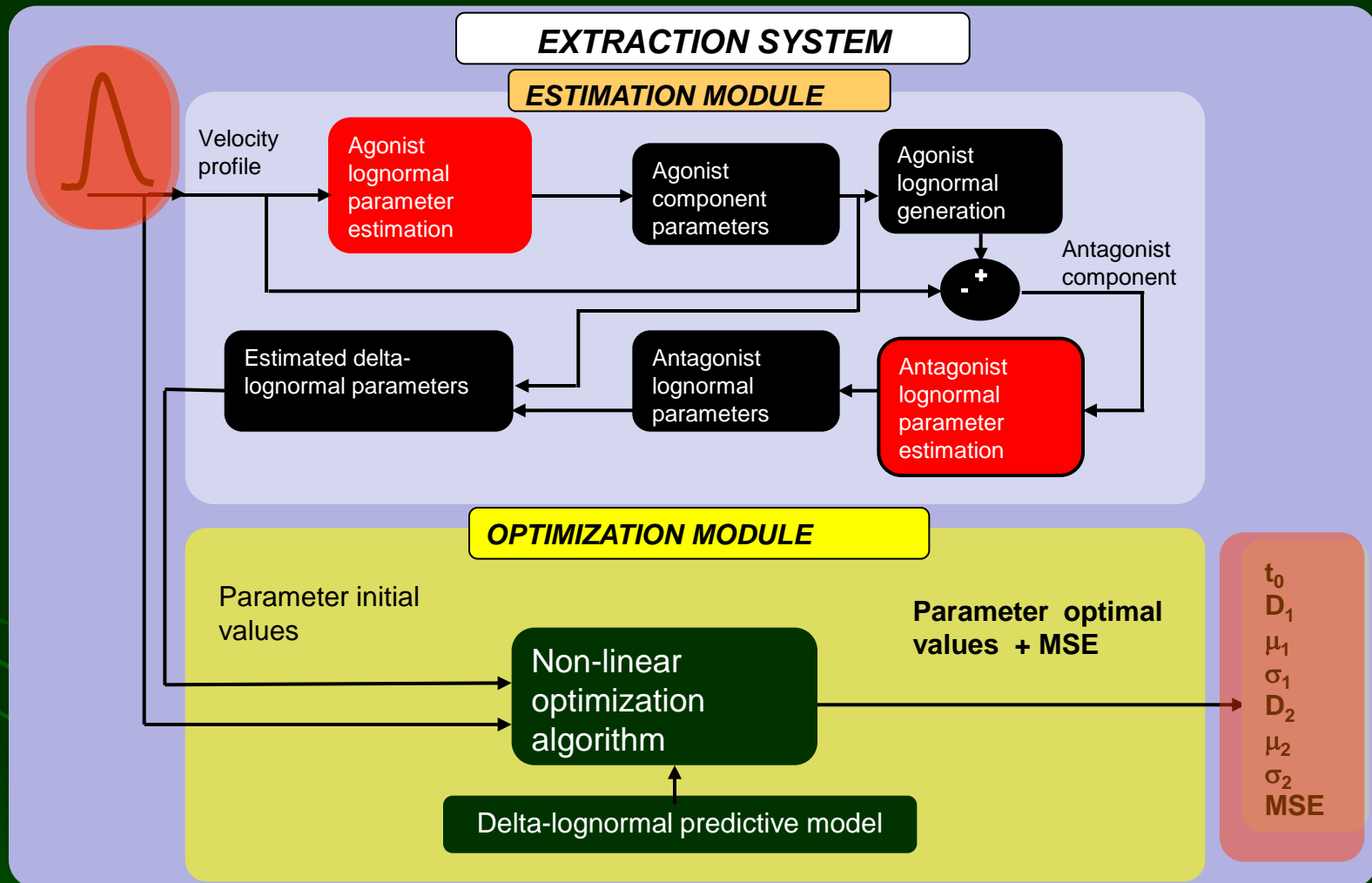
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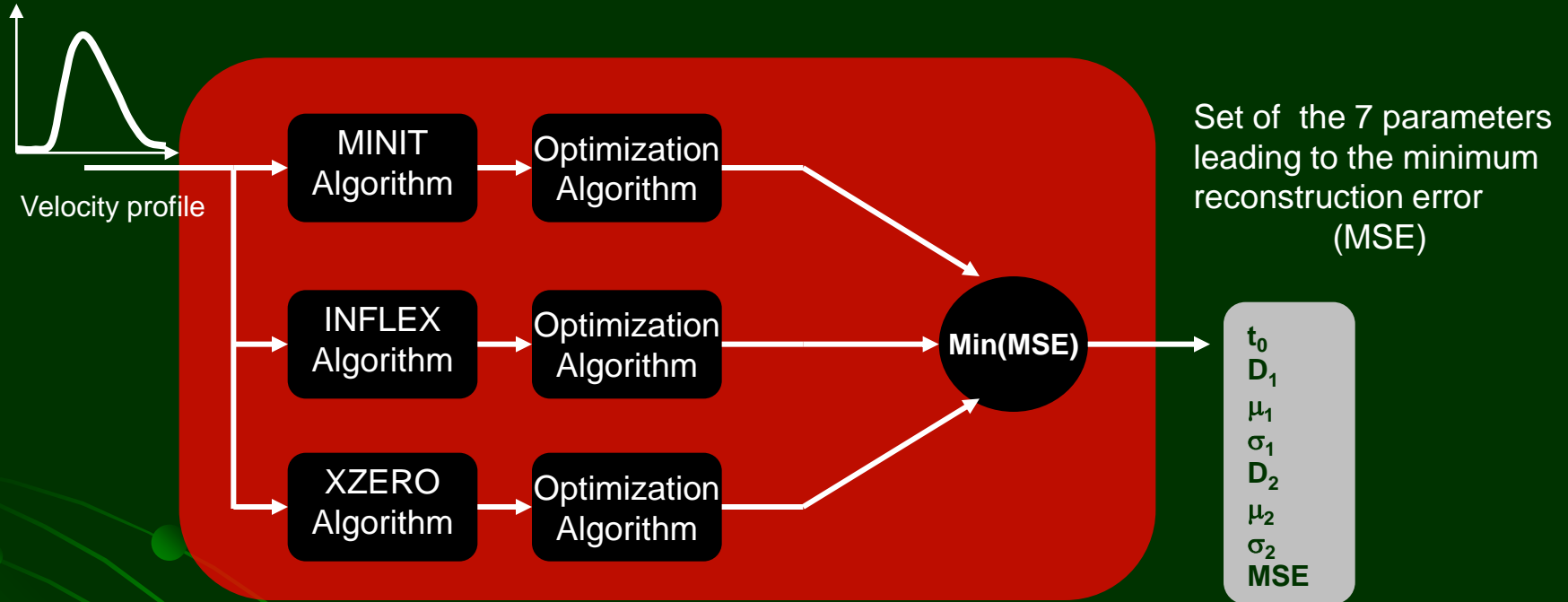
SOFTWARE PROBLEMS

- Data acquisition:
 - Which signals?
 - Sampling frequency?
 - Data filtering?
 - Data base security?
- Parameter Extraction
 - Deterministic vs probabilistic approach
 - Step-wise approach (From Delta- to Sigma-)
 - Which algorithm?
 - How to validate local minimum solutions?
- User interface: ergonomics?

Kinematic Theory : Extraction system : Architecture



Extraction system architecture

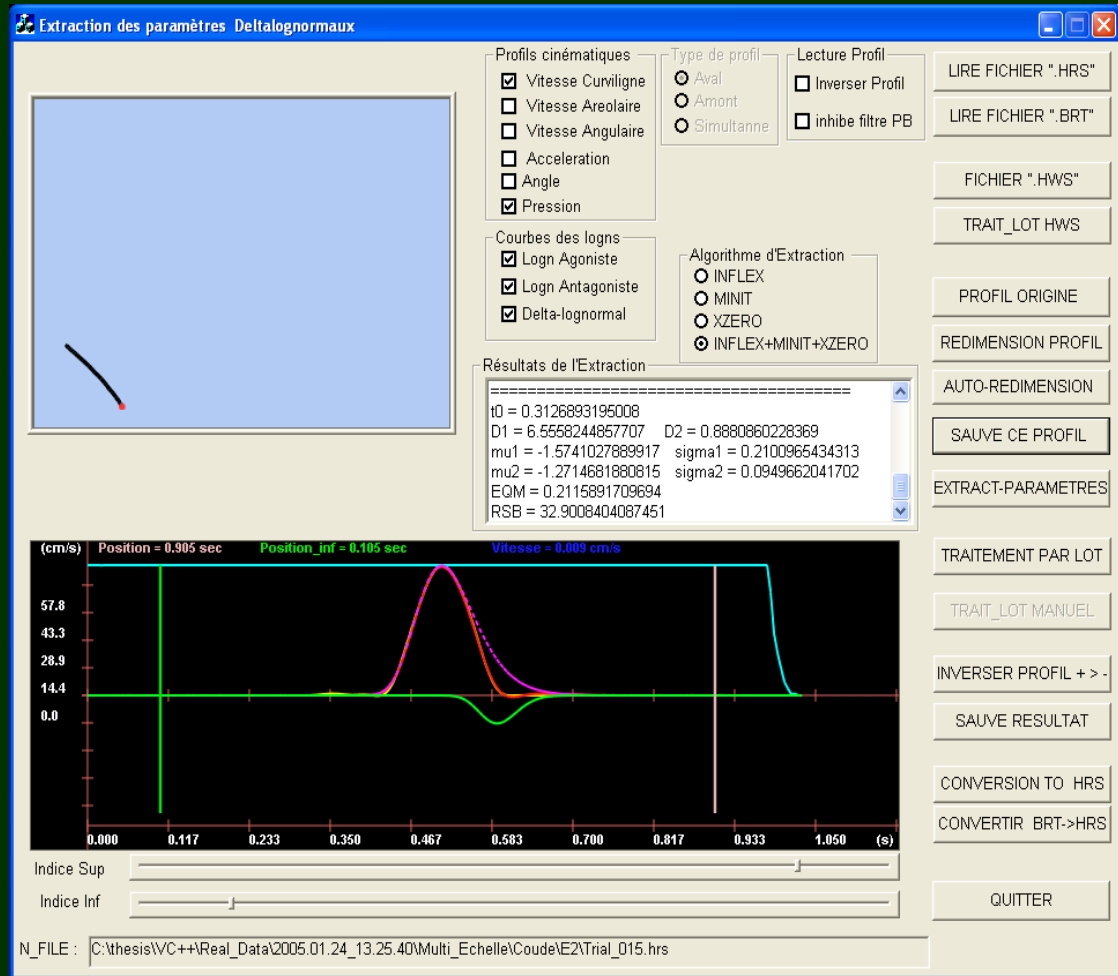


Extraction System: final version

Implementation of the three extraction algorithms



Extraction system characterization



Djioua, M., Plamondon, R.
IEEE PAMI 2008 online

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INFLEX-INITRI-XZERO (IIX)

- $\Delta\Lambda$ representation (locally optimal)
- Fast reaching motion

M. Djioua and R. Plamondon, "A new algorithm and system for the characterization of handwriting strokes with delta-lognormal parameters," *IEEE Trans Pattern Anal Mach Intell*, vol. 31, pp. 2060-72, Nov 2009.

2

Branch and bound (B&B)

- $\Delta\Lambda$ representation (globally optimal)
- Fast reaching motion

C. O'Reilly and R. Plamondon, "A globally optimal estimator for the Delta-Lognormal modeling of fast reaching movements" *IEEE Trans. on System, Man and Cybernetics. Part B. Cybernetics*, in press.

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Robust X_0

- $\Sigma\Delta$ representation
- Complex and arbitrary movements

C. O'Reilly and R. Plamondon, "Development of a Sigma-Lognormal representation for on-line signatures," *Pattern Recognition*, vol. 42, pp. 3324-3337, 2009.

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Prototype based

- $\Sigma\Delta$ representation
- Complex and stereotypical movements
- Allow performing ANOVA of the $\Sigma\Delta$ parameters

O'Reilly and R. Plamondon, "Prototype-based methodology for the statistical analysis of local features in stereotypical handwriting tasks," presented at the International Conference on Pattern Recognition, Istanbul, Turkey, 2010.

HARDWARE PROBLEMS

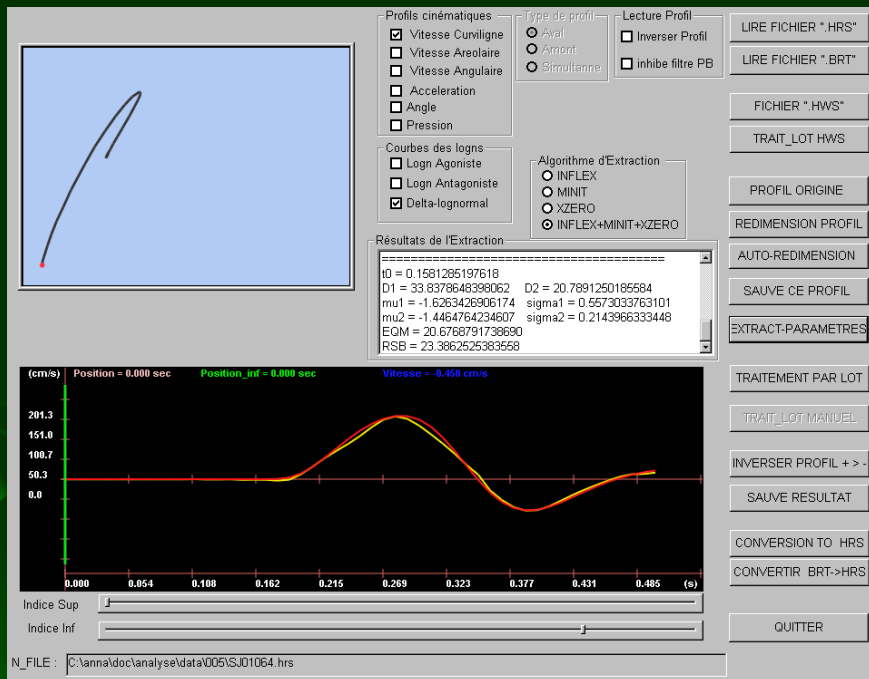
- Digitizer vs instrumented pen?
- Portable computer vs pen pad?
- Design of a stimulus generator?
- Synchronisation and timing specifications
- Transportability and robustness
- Low costs
- Patient friendly

Sign@medic System

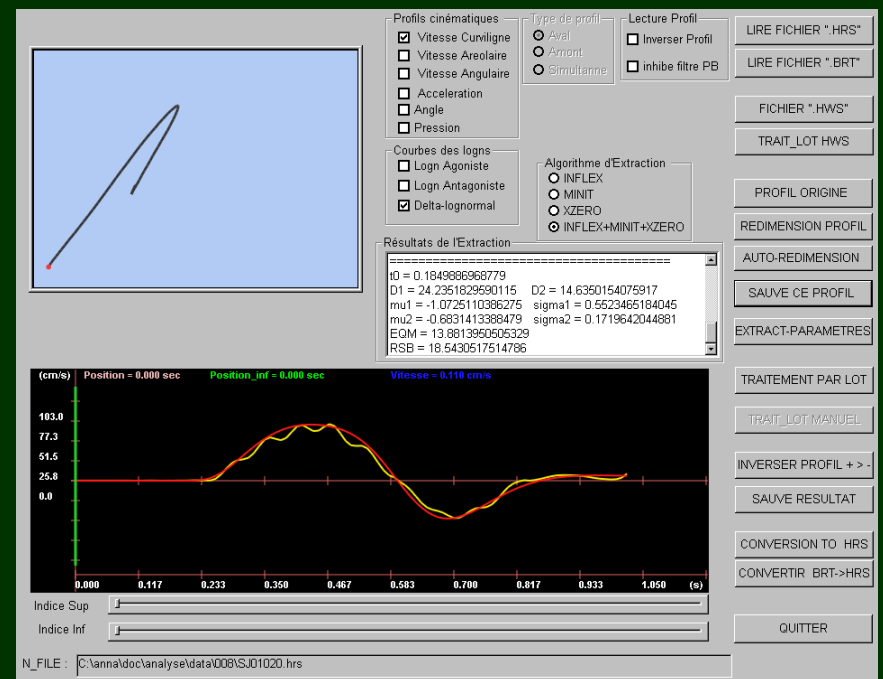


Typical Results

Young subject



Aged subject



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Research Questions

- Context: a biomedical long term goal.
- Data anonymity and security?
- Pre-existing or new tasks?
- Which tasks? And why?
- How many tasks?
- How many repetitions?
- Success criteria and outlier rejection?

Neuromotor testing

- 1 Registration: Signatures
- 2 Auditory reaction time
- 3 Visual reaction time
- 4 Choice reaction time
- 5 Speed-accuracy trade-off
- 6 Triangular drawing
- 7 Maximal speed oscillations
- 8 Oscillations synchronized with an auditory metronome
- 9 Fatigue test: signature verification

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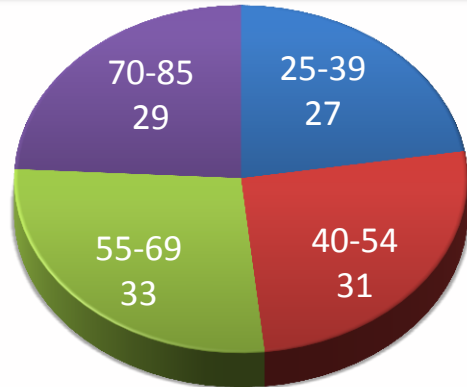
Research Questions

- Context: no familiarity with a computer environment for many participants.
- Understandability of the tasks?
- Preliminary practice?
- Duration of the experiment?
- Fatigue of the participants?
- Training of the experimenters?

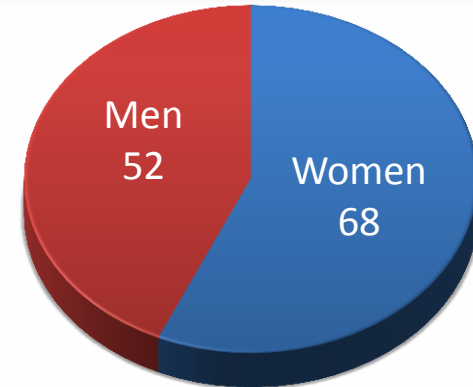
Standardizing the data acquisition

- Introductory leaflet for the subjects
- Experimenter guide
- Experimenter logbook
- Operator guide
- Operator logbook

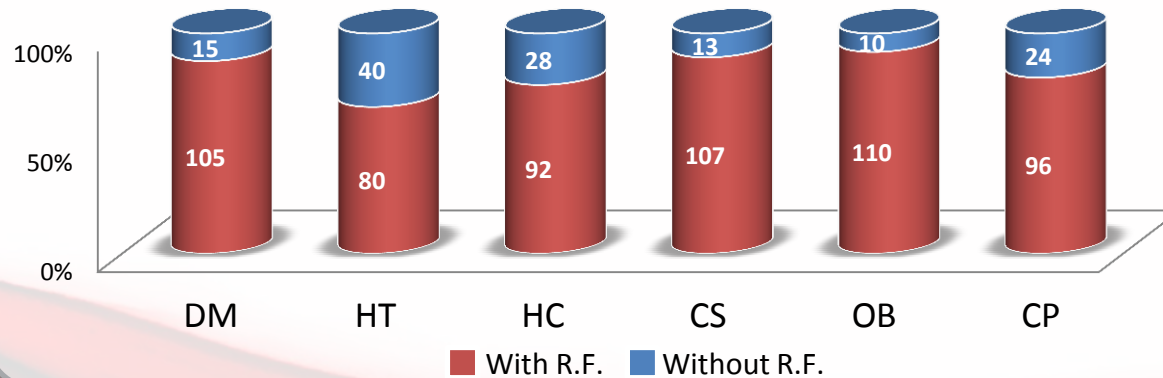
Age



Gender



Brain stroke risk factors (R.F.)



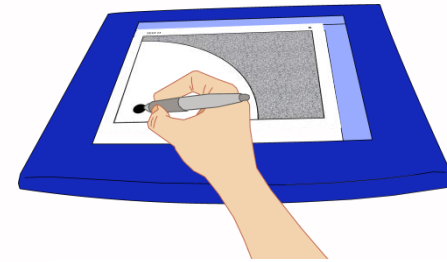
DM: Diabetes mellitus
 HT : Hypertension
 HC : Hypercholesterolemia
 CS : Cigarette smoking
 OB : Obesity
 CP : Cardiac problems

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1 Reaching motion

Delta-lognormal ($\Delta\Lambda$) modeling



2 Oscillations

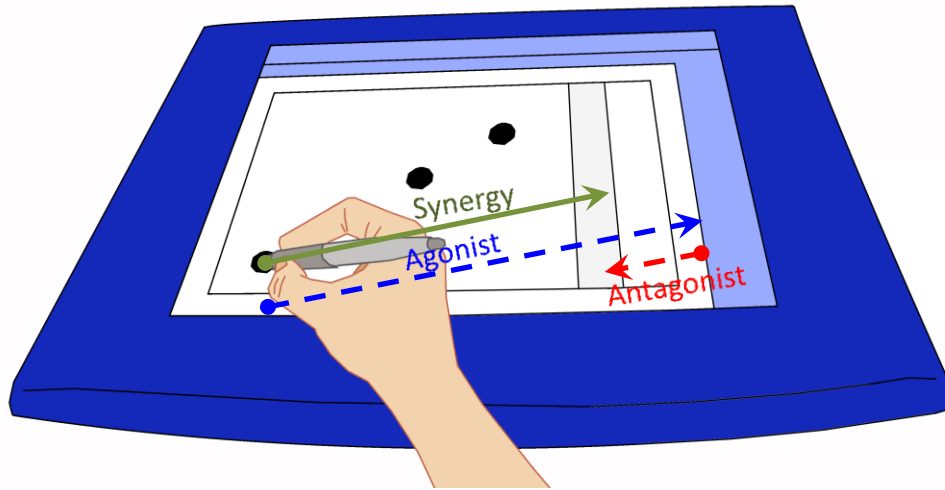
Omega-lognormal ($\Omega\Lambda$) modeling



3 Complex motion

Sigma-lognormal ($\Sigma\Lambda$) modeling

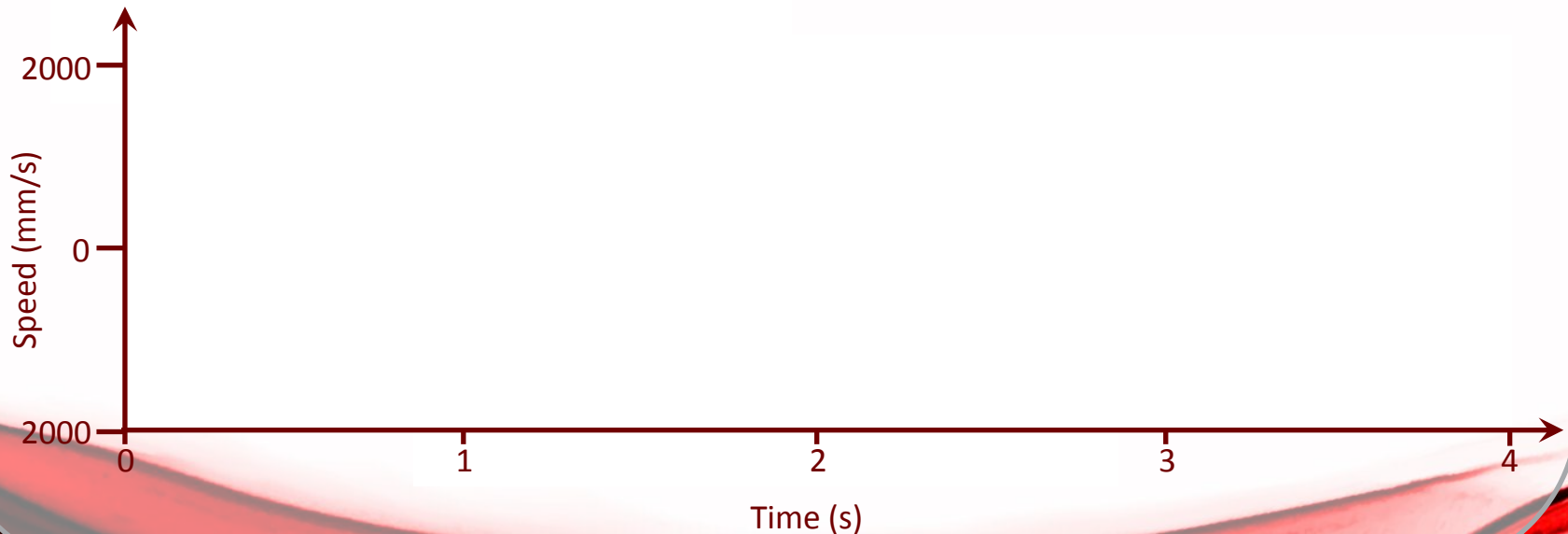




$$\begin{aligned}v_t(t) &\approx D_1\Lambda(t - t_0; \mu_1, \sigma_1) \\ &\quad - D_2\Lambda(t - t_0; \mu_2, \sigma_2) \\ &= \Delta\Lambda(t)\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 v_t(t) &\approx \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ v_{tmaxi} > 0}}^{\xi} D_{1i} \Lambda(t - t_{01i}; \mu_{1i}, \sigma_{1i}) \\
 &\quad - \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ v_{tmaxi} < 0}}^{\xi} D_{2i} \Lambda(t - t_{02i}; \mu_{2i}, \sigma_{2i}) \\
 &= \Omega \Lambda
 \end{aligned}$$

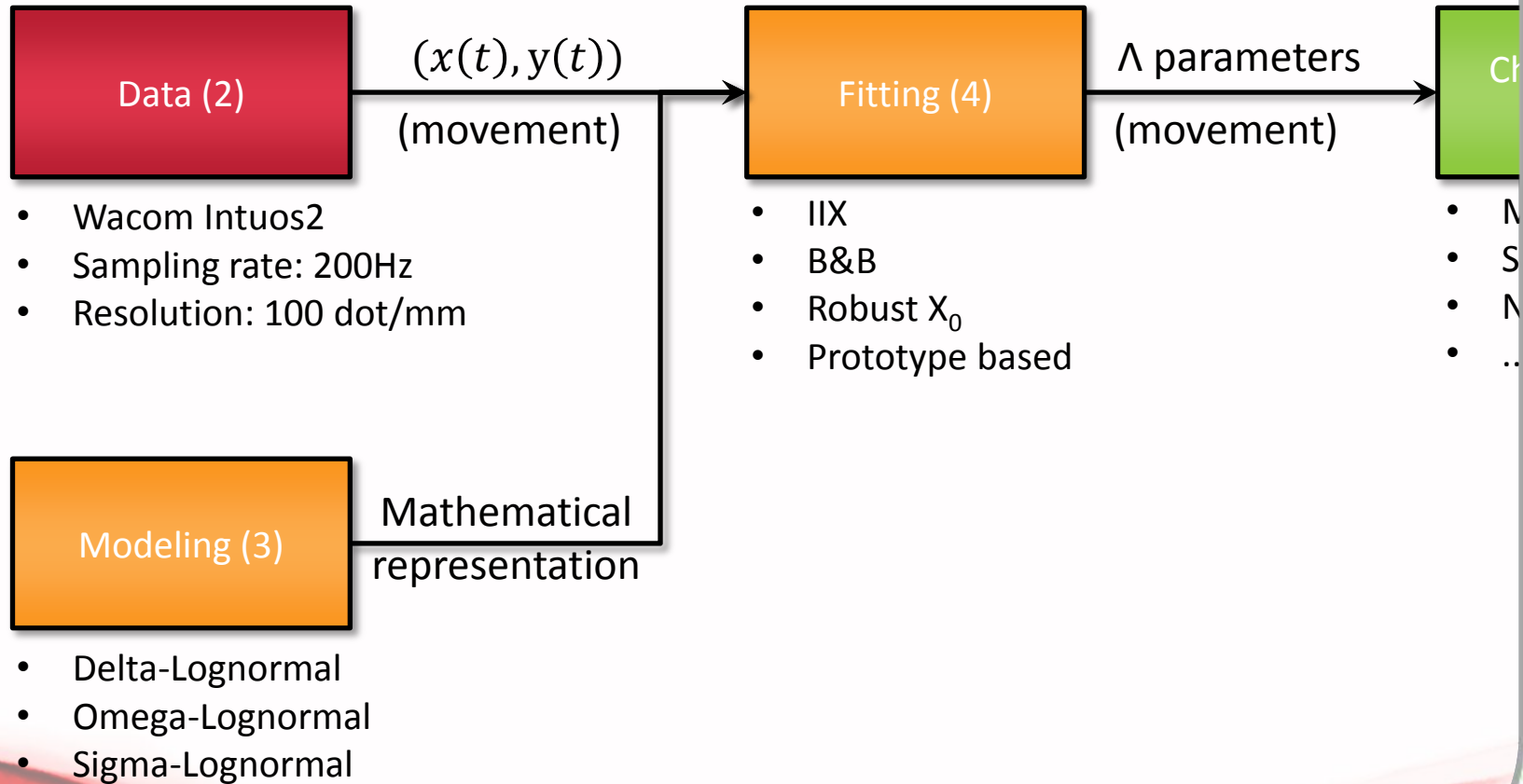


2D representation

A complex motion trajectory can be described by the motion speed ($v_t(t)$) and direction ($\varphi(t)$).

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Classification/diagnostic results (AUC)

	Reaction time				Speed-accuracy trade-off	Triangular drawing	Maximum speed oscillations	signatures	\bar{x}
	Visual	Auditory	Choice	Combined					
Diabetes	0.85	0.82	0.89	0.88	0.85	0.82	0.76	0.82	0.84
Hypertension	0.76	0.76	0.76	0.81	0.74	0.80	0.77	0.76	0.77
Hypercholesterolemia	0.81	0.78	0.73	0.83	0.75	0.73	0.66	0.69	0.75
Cigarette smoking	0.69	0.82	0.72	0.78	0.71	0.70	0.60	0.34	0.67
Cardiac problems	0.81	0.82	0.85	0.85	0.80	0.81	0.74	0.82	0.81
Obesity	0.78	0.88	0.85	0.85	0.73	0.68	0.75	0.73	0.78
\bar{x}	0.78	0.81	0.80	0.83	0.76	0.76	0.71	0.69	0.77

SUMMARY

- As area under the ROC curve of 0.60 to 0.89 have been obtained on the prediction of six of the principal CVA risk factors using only information extracted from the movements, **there is a definitive relationship between the presence of stroke risk factor and the characteristics of human movements.** Although, a large part of it may be attributed to the effect of the age and the gender, there are convincing evidences that these two factors does not account for all of it. Therefore, human movements seem to contain supplementary information related to the susceptibility of eventually suffering from a Brain Stroke which is neither attributable to the age nor the gender.

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Outcomes

- 1 Design of a complete framework for neuromuscular disorder diagnostic from movement analysis
- 2 Study of the links between brain stroke susceptibility and human movements (Handwriting stroke)
STROKES AGAINST STROKES
- 3 Design of new tools for human movement analysis which can be also applied to other problems

On-Going Collaborations

	University	Research Project
1	Université de Montréal (Julien Doyon)	Effects of Cardiorespiratory Physical Exercise Motor Skill Learning in Parkinson's disease.
2	Louisiana State University (Arend van Gemmert)	Evaluation of the fine motricity of Parkinsonian Patients.
3	Université des Antilles et de la Guyane (Céline Rémi)	Neuromotor problem screening to help Children to learn Handwriting.
4	Université des Antilles et de la Guyane (Lydia Foucan)	Type I and Type II Diabete Discrimination.

Future work

Short term

- 1 Classifier combination
- 2 Latent variable modeling
- 3 Corroboration on new transversal data
- 4 Prospective study

Long term

The Practical Lessons Learned (So Far...)

- Reduce the number of tasks
- Increase the number of repetitions
- Design a new generation of the system using Tablet-PC ?
- Reject outliers on the spot
- Increase the number of participants
- Improve the health questionnaire
- Longitudinal and international studies

Theoretical Lesson Learned

- Pattern recognition is an efficient paradigm.
 - Start from scratch:
representation, mapping and interpretation
 - Freedom of thought
 - Occam razor: Does it works?
- Emergent solutions from powerful models.
- Good ideas can be applied to other problems.
- Can we use patterns recognition methods in our quest for a better understanding of Nature.

PART TWO

STROKE FOR STRIDES

What is a Stride?

A long, decisive step

(Oxford DictionaryThesaurus)

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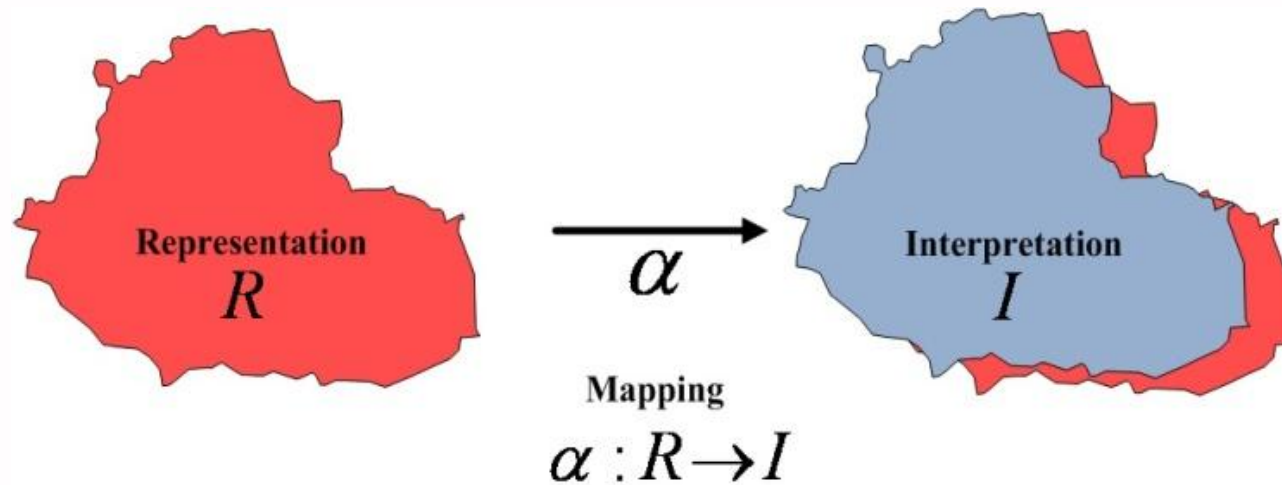
CAN WE USE THE SAME
PATTERN RECOGNITION
APPROACH TO SOLVE OTHER
TYPES OF PROBLEMS?

**APPLYING
PATTERN RECOGNITION
TECHNIQUES
TO TRY BRIDGING THE GAP
BETWEEN
GENERAL RELATIVITY
AND
QUANTUM MECHANICS
PROVIDING SOME NEW INSIGHTS
THE UNIFICATION OF PHYSICS**

TOPICS

1. A statistical pattern recognition approach
2. Putting general relativity into a probabilistic context (The interdependence principle)
3. Incorporating quantum mechanics
4. A symmetric geometry
5. An axisymmetric geometry
6. Three supplementary emerging interactions
7. From stars to galaxies... to the Universe
8. Take home messages

Statistical Pattern Recognition



Patterns are generated by a probabilistic system

Statistical Pattern Recognition

- **REPRESENTATION**

scaled features \Leftrightarrow N-dimensional space
object \Leftrightarrow random vector

- **INTERPRETATION**

class \Leftrightarrow a cluster defined by a density function

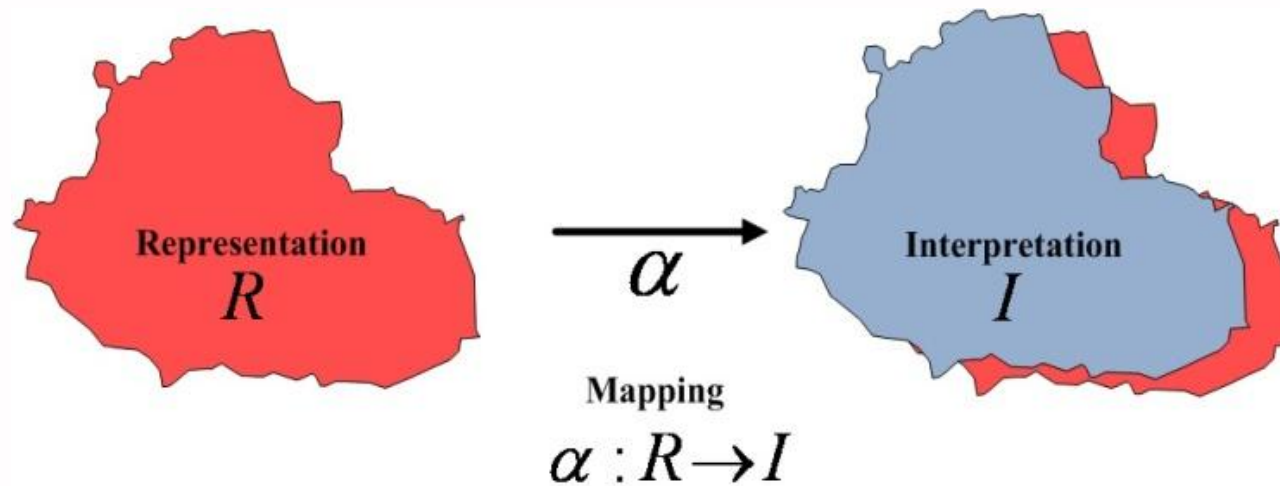
- **MAPPING**

class delimitation \Leftrightarrow discriminating function

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Einstein's equation: $G=KT$



Two information spaces must be analyzed and compared.

First information space: the structure of the manifold

- **REPRESENTATION**

- coordinates + metrics \Leftrightarrow 4-dimensional space
- metric quantified coordinate \Leftrightarrow arbitrary specific feature of the manifold

- **MAPPING**

- Einstein tensor: G

- **INTERPRETATION**

- 16 component curvature space

Second information space: the content of a manifold

- **REPRESENTATION**

- coordinates + metrics \Leftrightarrow 4-dimensional space
- metric quantified coordinates \Leftrightarrow localization of events

- **MAPPING**

- Momentum-Energy tensor: T

- **INTERPRETATION**

- Mass-energy density, energy flux, momentum density and stress components

Einstein's equation

$$G = KT$$

- The Einstein's equation can be seen as making a link between the two interpretation spaces.
- **BUT**, according to the statistical pattern recognition paradigm, these interpretation spaces could be given a **probabilistic meaning...How?**

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Interdependence principle

Spacetime curvature (S) and matter-energy density (E) are two inextricable information spaces defining the physically observable universe (U); they must be mutually exploited to describe any subset U_i of this universe. In terms of expectations, the probability of observing a subset (U_i) is:

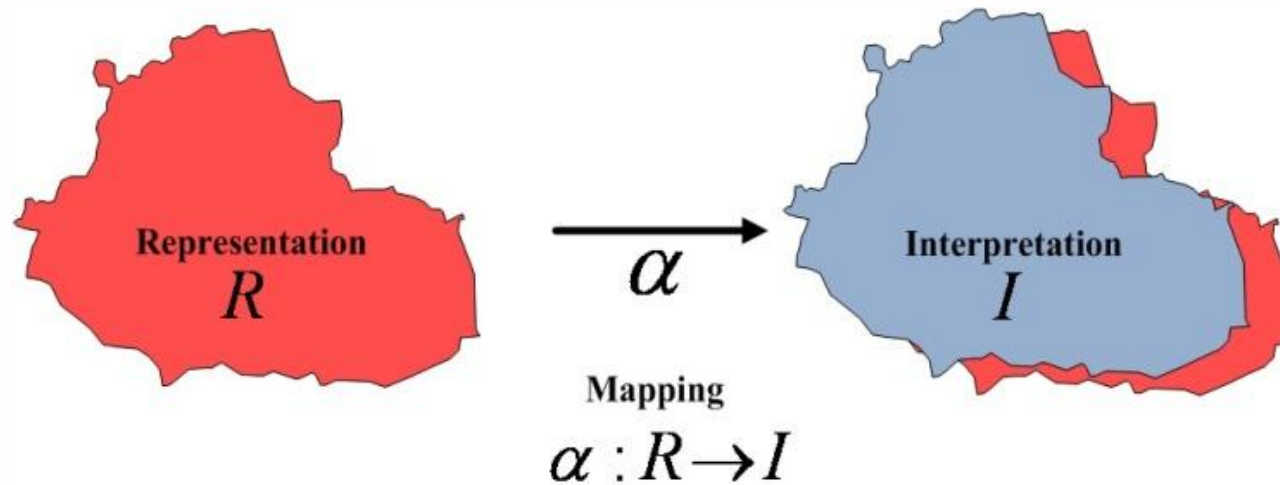
$$P(U_i) = P(S_i, E_i) < 1$$

Corrolary

The probability of observing and describing a given subset of the universe $P(U_i)$, that is the joint probability of $P(S_i, E_i)$, can be studied from two equivalent *modi operandi*: either by analyzing the structure of the spacetime as an interpretation space associated with an *a priori* given matter-energy density or by analyzing the matter-energy density as an interpretation space associated with an *a priori* given spacetime structure.

In terms of Bayes' law...

(conditionnal probabilities)



$$P(U_i) = P(S_i, E_i) = P(S_i/E_i)P(E_i) = P(E_i/S_i)P(S_i)$$

$$f(S_i/E_i)f(E_i) = f(E_i/S_i)f(S_i)$$

$$f(S_i/E_i) = f(E_i/S_i) \frac{f(S_i)}{f(E_i)}$$

A link with Einstein's law?

$$f(S_i/E_i) = f(E_i/S_i) \frac{f(S_i)}{f(E_i)} \Leftrightarrow G = KT$$

$$f(S_i/E_i) = k_1 \text{tr}G$$

$$\frac{f(S_i)}{f(E_i)} = k_2 \text{tr}T$$

$$f(E_i/S_i) = ?$$

A Potential Pathway...

$f(E_i / S_i)?$ Reflects the probability of presence
of
a given energy momentum density

In Quantum Mechanics, the wave function ψ_{E_i}
can be used to compute
the probability of presence of a given particle

$$\psi_{E_i}^* \psi_{E_i} = f_{\psi}(S_i)$$

Introducing Quantum Mechanics into General Relativity

$$f(E_i/S_i) = k_3 \psi_{E_i}^* \psi_{E_i} = k_3 f_\psi(S_i)$$

$$G = \frac{k_2 k_3}{k_1} f_\psi(S_i) T$$

$$f_\psi(S_i)?$$

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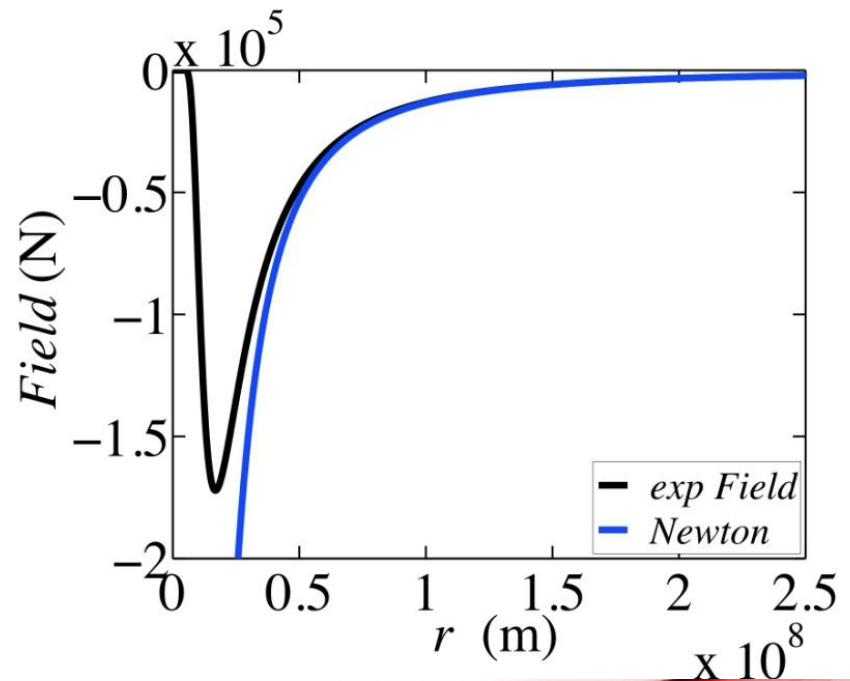
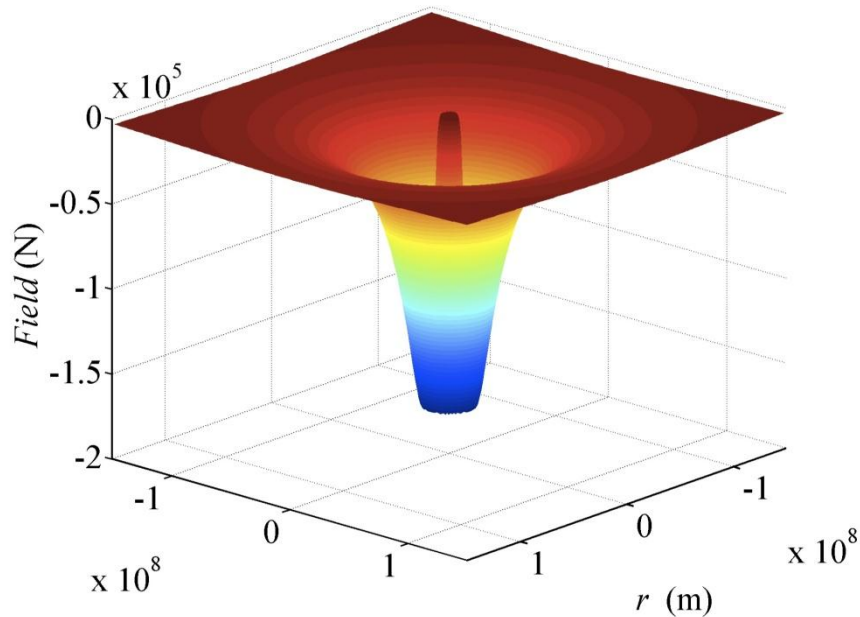
Estimating the probability of presence

- Building a star from scratch by adding numerous identical particles ($N \rightarrow \infty$), each one with its own wave function, density function and associated space-time, as seen from a locally flat tangent space.
- Making the convolution of their corresponding density functions.
- The **central limit theorem** predicts that the ideal form of the global probability density $f(\mathbf{x})$ will be a Gaussian multivariate function.

Emergence of Newton's law of gravitation: the field

$$g(r) = -\left| \vec{\nabla} \Phi \right|_r = -\frac{2KM c^4}{4\pi\sigma^3 r^2} \exp\left(-\frac{\sigma^2}{2r^2}\right)$$

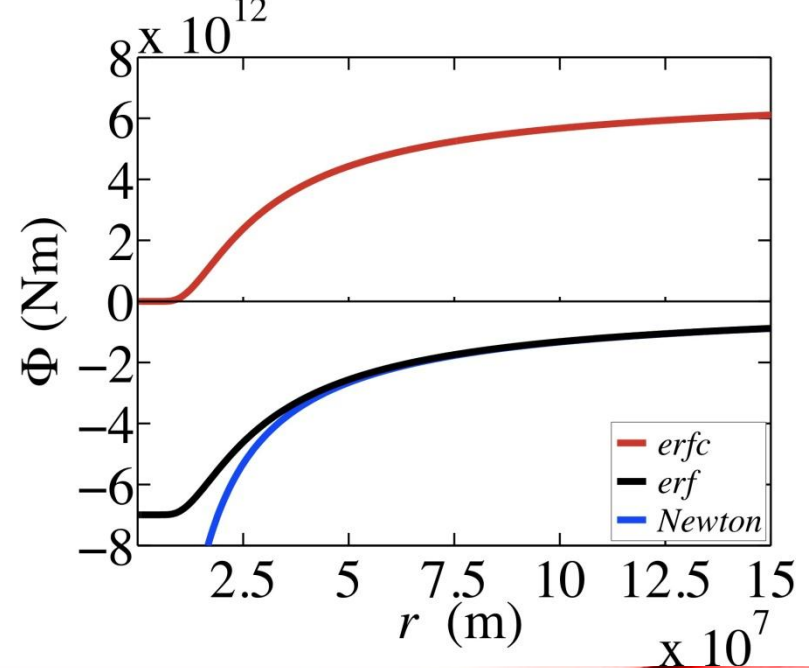
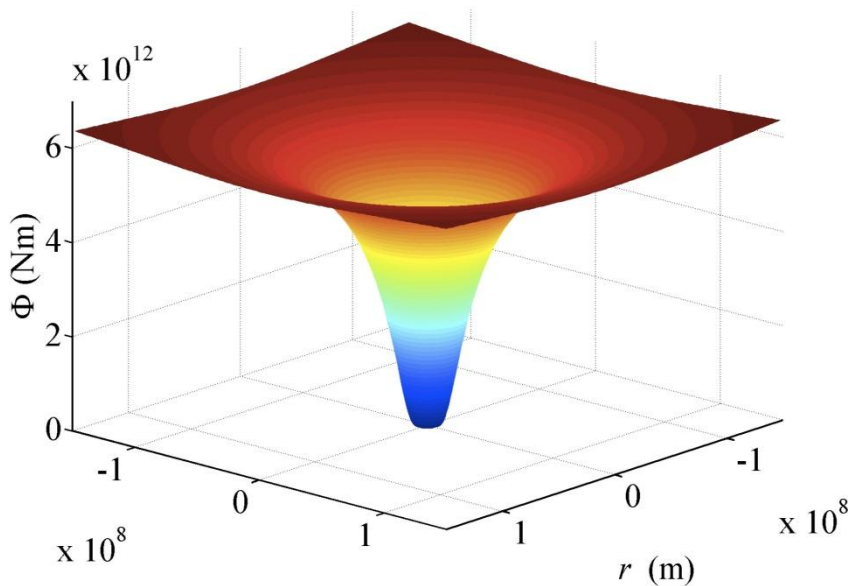
$$g(r) \cong -\frac{2KM c^4}{(4\pi\sigma)^3 r^2} = -\frac{GM}{r^2}$$



Emergence of Newton's law of gravitation: the potential

$$\Phi_{erfc}(r) = \frac{2KM_c^4}{4\pi\sigma^3} \left(\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{\sqrt{2}\sigma} \right) erfc\left(\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{2}r}\right) = \Phi_{erfc}(r)$$

$$\Phi_{erf}(r) = -\frac{2KM_c^4}{4\pi\sigma^3} \left(\frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{6r^3} + \frac{1}{40r^5} - \dots \right) \cong -\frac{GM}{r}$$



Brief pause

- According to the present pattern recognition paradigm, the Newton's law is not empirical. It is an approximation of a more general law. It can be seen as an emerging phenomenon.
- The resulting *erfc* potential can be incorporated in a metric to study statically symmetric system.

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The symmetric metric and the field equation

$$ds^2 = \left[1 + \frac{2}{c^2} GM \left(\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{\sigma\sqrt{2}} \right) \operatorname{erfc} \left(\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{2}r} \right) \right] c^2 dt^2 - \left[1 + \frac{2}{c^2} GM \left(\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{\sigma\sqrt{2}} \right) \operatorname{erfc} \left(\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{2}r} \right) \right]^{-1} dr^2 - r^2 d\theta^2 - r^2 \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2$$

- No coordinate singularity
- No intrinsic singularity
- Temporal offset at infinity
- Radial delays

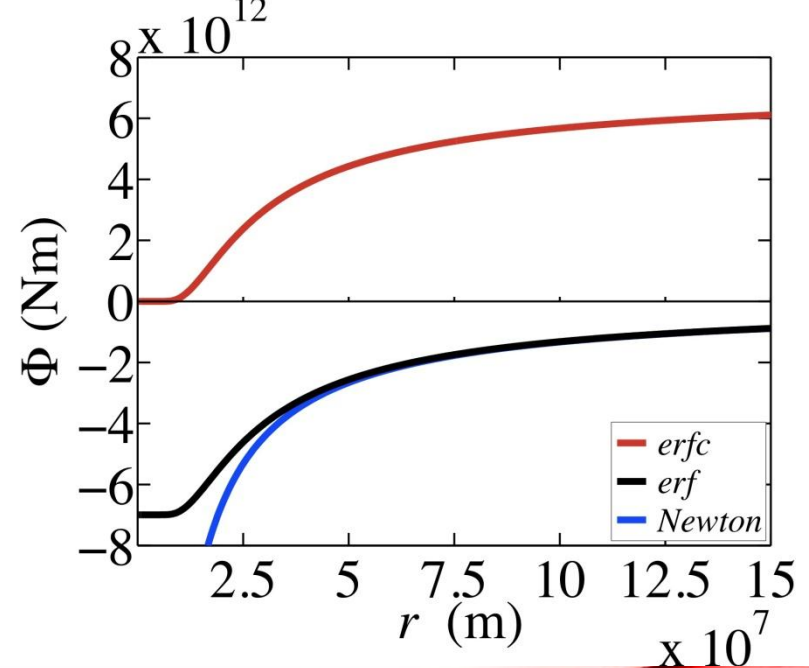
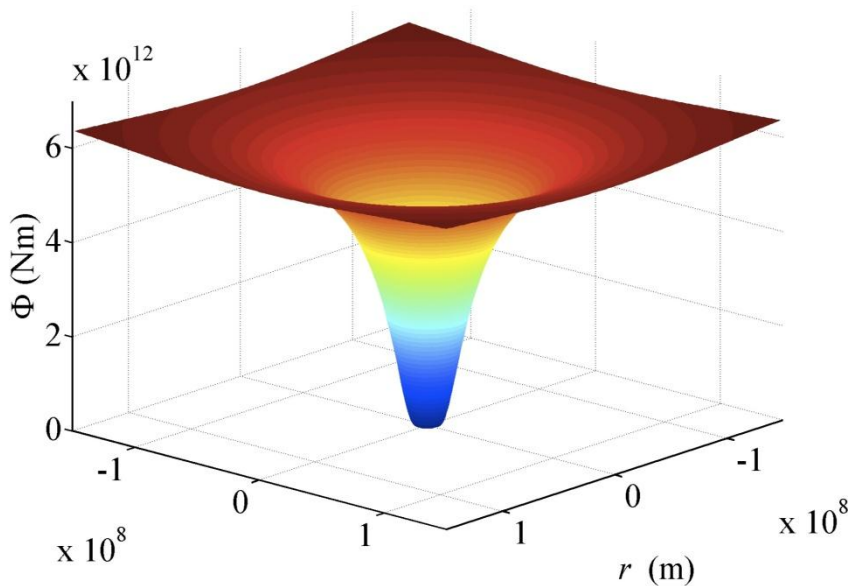
Most striking properties

- New set of exact analytical solutions
- Converge towards Einstein's predictions at large distance
- Differs from Einstein's predictions at small distance
- There will be no gravitational collapse in systems described by such a metric
- Black holes without any intrinsic singularity
- Gauge dependent?

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erfc vs *erf* functions

$$\textit{erfc} z = 1 - \textit{erf} z$$

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Two new axisymmetric components

- A rotation term:

$$\omega_{st} = \frac{d\phi}{dt} \Rightarrow + \frac{2K}{\omega_{st}} d\phi dt$$

- An expansion term:

$$v_{st} = \frac{dr}{dt} \Rightarrow + \frac{2Kv_{st}}{c^2} \left[1 - \frac{2K}{c^2} \operatorname{erf} \left(\frac{u}{4\pi\sqrt{2}r} \right) \right]^{-1}$$

Very Brief Pause...

The axisymmetric metric
can be seen as explaining
why any massive body
in the universe
is rotating
and its associated space-time
looks like expanding.

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Back to the Central Limit Theorem

When the number of functions that are convolved is not infinite...

A convergence error will emerge.

This error will have three components.

Central Limit Theorem: convergence error

$$E_r(y) = f(y) - N(y) = \frac{\mu_3}{6\sigma^3\sqrt{n}} \left(\frac{y^3}{\sigma^3} - \frac{3y}{\sigma} \right) N(y) + O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \right)$$

$$\text{Mapping} \Rightarrow \frac{y}{\sigma} \rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{2}x}{\sigma} \Rightarrow \frac{x}{\sigma} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{2}r}$$

$$\left(\frac{y^3}{\sigma^3} - \frac{3y}{\sigma} \right) \Rightarrow \left(\frac{x^3}{2\sqrt{2}\sigma^3} - \frac{3x}{\sqrt{2}\sigma} \right)$$

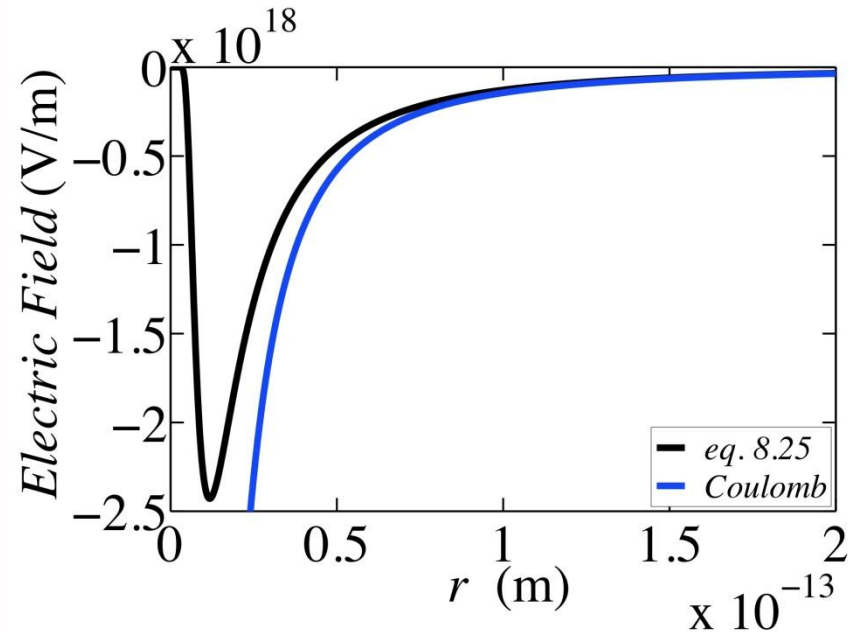
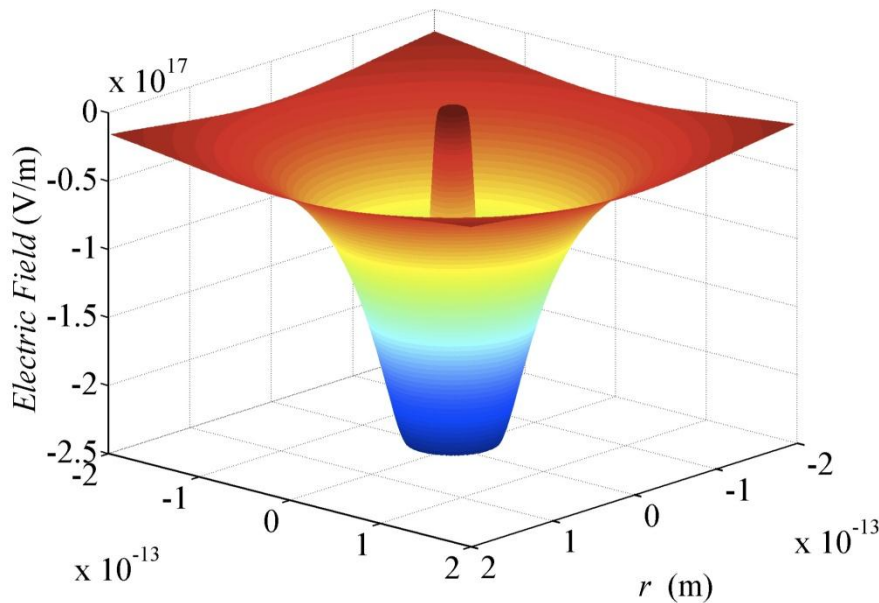
$$\nabla^2\Phi = \frac{2K_\sigma Mc^4}{4\pi^3 \sigma r^5} \left[1 - \frac{\mu_3}{2\sqrt{2}n\sigma^2 r} + \frac{\mu_3}{12\sqrt{2}nr^3} \right] \exp\left(\frac{-\sigma^2}{2r^2} \right)$$

Emergence of Coulomb's field

$$\mu_3 = \frac{8\pi c_2 Q^2}{m_{ref} u \epsilon_0^2}$$

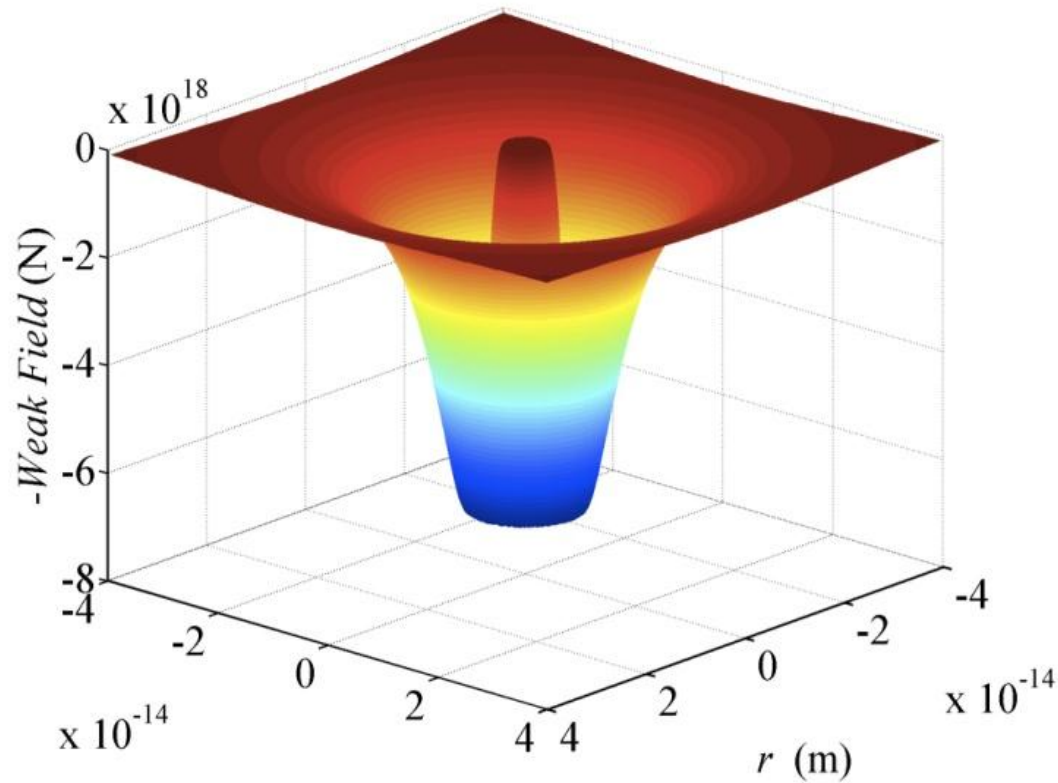
$$g_e(r) = \frac{\mu_3 u \epsilon_0}{32\pi^2 c_2 r^2} \operatorname{erfc}\left(\frac{c_3 \epsilon_0}{64\pi^2 c_2 \sqrt{2} r}\right)$$

$$F_e(r) = \frac{Q^2}{4\pi \epsilon_0 r^2} \operatorname{erfc}\left(\frac{c_3 \epsilon_0}{64\pi^2 c_2 \sqrt{2} r}\right)$$



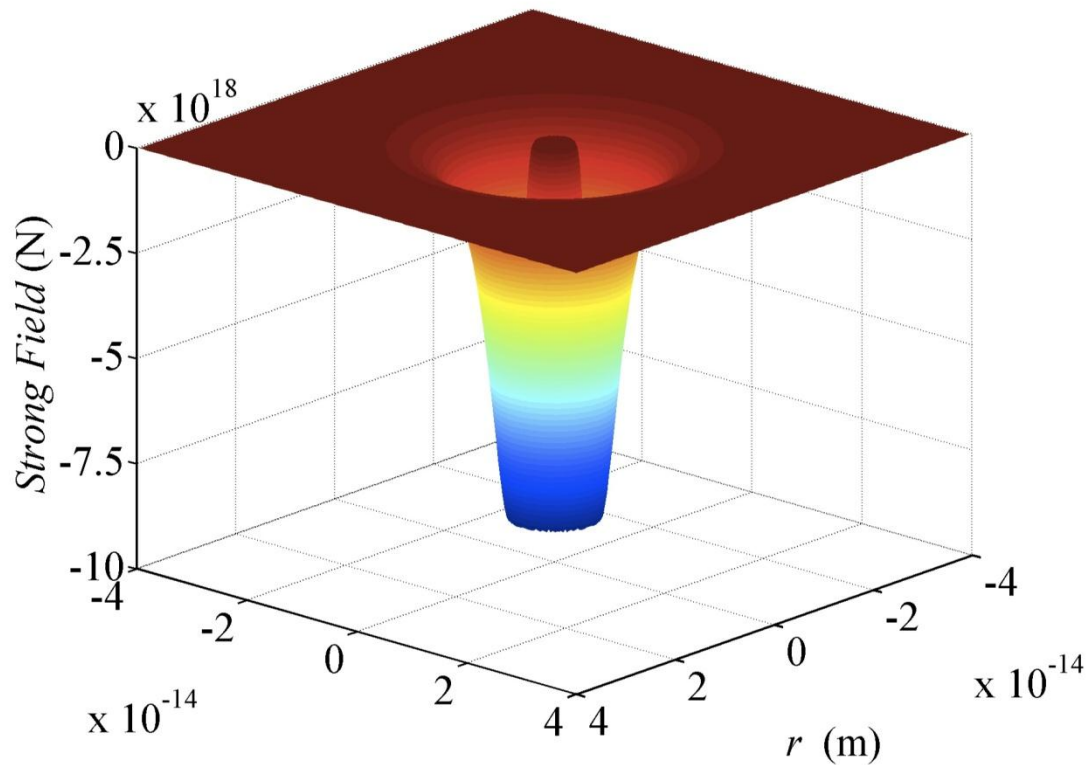
Emergence of a weak nuclear field

$$F_w(r) = \frac{c_3 Q^2}{128 c_2 \pi^3 \sqrt{2\pi} r^3} \exp\left(-\frac{c_3^2 \epsilon_0^2}{2(64\pi^2)^2 c_2^2 r^2}\right)$$



Emergence of a strong nuclear field

$$F_s(r) = -\frac{c_3^3 Q^2 \varepsilon_0^2}{24c_2^3 \pi^3 \sqrt{2\pi} (16\pi)^4 r^5} \exp\left(-\frac{c_3^2 \varepsilon_0^2}{2(64\pi^2)^2 c_2^2 r^2}\right)$$



In other words...

The four basic interactive forces of physics can be seen as emergent phenomena described by specific mathematical patterns, when analyzed through the appropriate representation and interpretation schemes

There is nothing such as a free lunch...

There is much more
than
a free lunch!

Predicting the values of the fundamental constants from various mappings

$$G = \frac{2Ku^2}{c\delta\tau^5}$$

$$\hbar = \frac{c_1}{9\sigma^3\sqrt{N_a}u}$$

$$\frac{\varepsilon_0}{32\pi^2c_2} = \frac{9GM\hbar\sqrt{\pi}}{8c_1}$$

$$2\sigma_{warp} = \frac{c_3\varepsilon_0}{32c_2\pi^2} = \frac{u_{warp}}{2\pi}$$

$$Q^2 = \frac{(\Delta amu)c^2c_3\varepsilon_0^2}{18c_2\pi^3}$$

Predicting the values of the fundamental constants from various mappings

$$k = \frac{300\rho_i}{2N_a m_{H_2O} \text{ 1 dof/m}^3} \left[\frac{1 \text{ J}}{1 \text{ K}} \right]$$

$$m_e = 0.1m_{H_2O} \frac{1\text{kg}}{M_{Sun} \exp[-1 / 16\pi^2]}$$

$$m_p = 0.1\kappa_{\min \max} m_{ref \min} = \frac{0.01 \text{ kg}^2}{M_{Earth}}$$

$$N_a \cong \frac{M_{Earth}}{10 \exp[-1 / 16\pi^2]} \text{ kg}$$

In other words...

Once a coherent set of physical units is defined, the values of the fundamental constants of Nature can be seen as numerical parametric patterns that can be predicted!

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I Love the Central Limit Theorem!!!

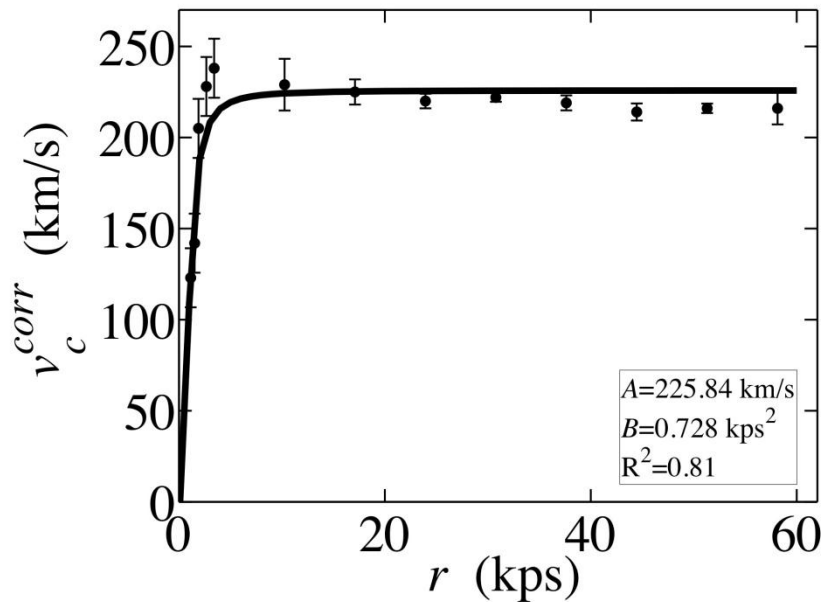
- The Central Limit Theorem is an intrinsic property of the convolution of a large number of positive definite functions.
- It can be used to describe a Gaussian star.
- The convolution of a Gaussian is a Gaussian.
- The convolution of a large number of Gaussian stars will converge toward a Gaussian galaxy.
- The convolution of a large number of Gaussian galaxies will converge toward a Gaussian Universe.

Very Very Brief Pause...

Dark matter
might not be necessary
to explain
the orbital rotation velocity
at and beyond
the visible outer edge
of distant galaxies

Dark Matter: rotational velocity of galaxies

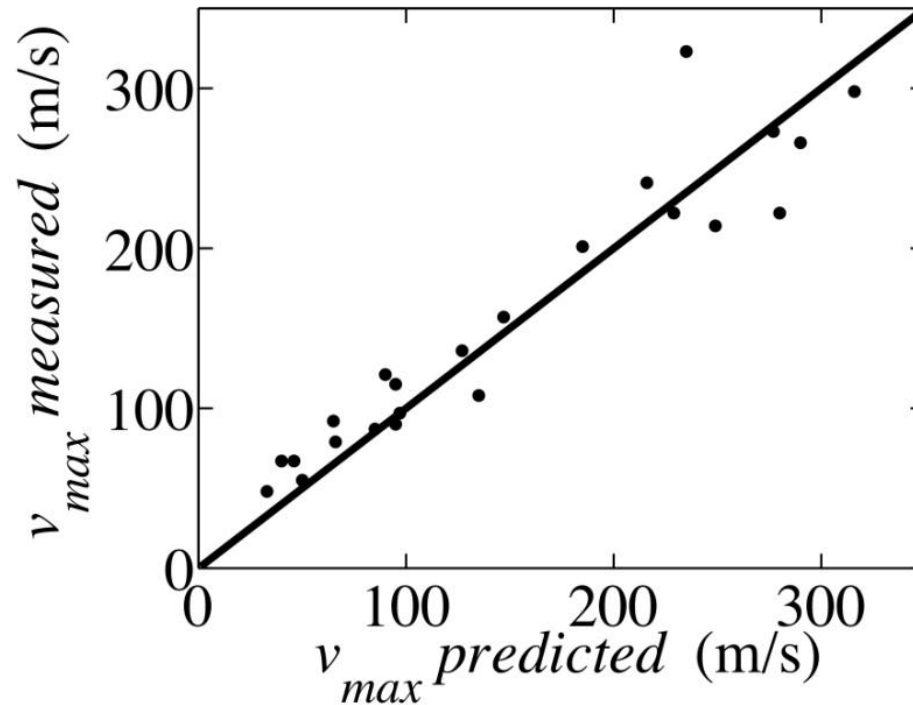
$$v_{\text{exp}} = A \exp\left(\frac{-B}{r^2}\right)$$



Predicted and measured values of the orbital rotation velocity of the NGC 801 galaxy as a function of its radius.

The experimental data are from Table 4, chapter 7 of Broeils (1992)

Dark Matter: rotational velocity of galaxies



Predicted vs measured values
of the orbital rotation velocity of some distant galaxies.
from table 1 and table 4 of Blok and McGaugh (1997)

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Physicist Take Home Messages

- According to the present paradigm, the four physical interactions are not empirical laws. They can be seen as emerging phenomena when pattern recognition techniques are used to describe a space-time manifold.
- The fundamental constants of nature can be linked to the unique intrinsic and emergent feature of the model σ and their values can be interpreted as numerical patterns that can be predicted.

Physicist Take Home Messages

- The model can be applied to some stars, some galaxies and...
to the whole Universe.
- The Central Limit Theorem is one of the basic tool to study the Signature of the Universe.

Pattern Recognition Specialists Take Home Message

**PATTERN RECOGNITION
MIGHT BE THE MOST
FUNDAMENTAL SCIENCE!**

Document Recognition Specialist

Take Home Message

**SOME DOCUMENT ANALYSIS
TECHNIQUES**

**CAN BE APPLIED TO STUDY THE
BOOK OF NATURE**

AS WELL AS

**THE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF THE
UNIVERSE!**

Signature Verification Specialist

Take Home Message

THE STUDY OF THE UNIVERSE

IS A VERY THOUGH

SIGNATURE VERIFICATION

PROBLEM

ONE SUBJECT...

ONE SPECIMEN...

To investigate further...

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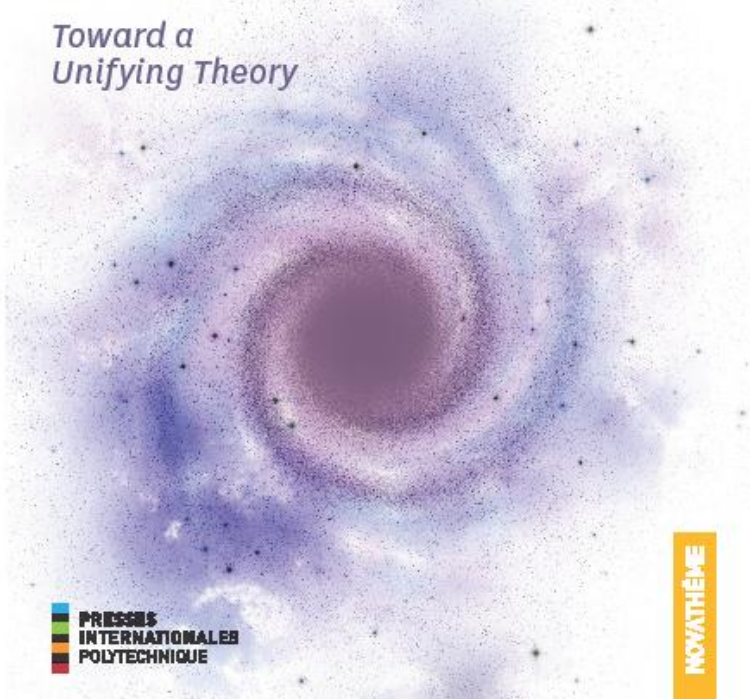
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Why are there four basic laws of Nature and where do they come from? Why does any massive body in the universe experience an intrinsic rotation? What is the link between the speed of light and the gravitational, Boltzmann and Planck constants? What are the relationships between electron mass, the Avogadro number, vacuum permittivity, and the masses of the Sun and the Earth? Are dark matter and dark energy necessary to explain the observable Universe? Can the lepton family be reduced to two members? These are just a few of the many questions that this scientific work addresses and to which it provides potential answers.

When we apply various pattern analysis methods to study the Universe, this leads us to considering the physical laws of Nature as emerging blueprints, and the fundamental constants as numerical primitives. Starting from two basic premises, the principles of interdependence and of asymptotic congruence, and using a statistical pattern recognition paradigm based on Bayes' law and the central limit theorem, Einstein's global field equation is generalized to incorporate a probabilistic factor that better reflects the interconnected role of space-time curvature and matter-energy density, with the aim of bridging the gap between quantum mechanics and general relativity. The whole concept predicts the emergence of the elementary interactions and the numerical value of the fundamental constants. To accomplish this, many notions and concepts are revisited, from the origin of the electron charge to the existence of black holes and the sine qua non Big Bang, providing a novel starting point to redirect our long-term quest for the unification of physics.



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